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[Text] Al-Bayyan al Awwal, Dhulhijja 24, Oct, 10, Jamahiriyah News Agency — As part of the continuous inciting for the strengthening of people's authority and people's democratic process, Colonel Mu'ammar al-Qadhdhafi, leader of the revolution, yesterday attended the 1st session of the Basic People's Congress (BPC) in its 3rd regular session at Al-Bayyan al Awwal city.

The leader in his speech addressed the BPC's which are holding their 3rd regular session prior to the General People's Congress (GPC), through Al-Bayyan al Awwal's (BPC).

In his speech, the leader, stressed two main points. First, the democratic way in which the BPC puts the items for discussion on the agenda especially the general agenda by which the masses of the BPC decide the democratic and foreign policies.

In this respect, the leader said that from now on the masses will put forward the agenda in order to further stress that the Libyan people are free and the masters of themselves without a ruler or a government.

Colonel al-Qadhdhafi said the people's committees will be one of the sources for formulating the agenda through the files which are to be tabled to the people's congresses in all fields. He said the people's committees will assume such a role because as they are also responsible for implementing the resolutions of the people's congresses, these congresses might ask them to issue laws or certain rules that would help in implementing the resolutions of the people's congresses.

The leader said the role of the people's congresses secretariats is to table the files, observations and requests of the people's committees to members of the Basic People's Congresses in the Jamahiriyah so as to clarify its views regarding the issues dealt with in these files and observations.

Dealing with the method in which future internal issues are to be included on the general agenda, the leader said: "Any internal issue adopted by any Basic People's Congress shall be referred to the General Secretariat of the General People's Congress, which shall in turn circulate it to all Basic People's Congresses throughout the Jamahiriyah for debate in a true democratic method.

The function of the General People's Congress would be to unify points of view and formulate the decisions of the Basic People's Congresses.

Regarding the second point expressed by masses in demonstrations and public gatherings regarding issues imposed on us by the enemy, the leader said: "We should decide on how to face death and our fate. We should prepare for making sacrifices and showing resoluteness to stop the Zionist death wagon that is intent on destroying the Arab nation."

Colonel al-Qadhdhafi affirmed the seriousness of such issues and the responsibility of the people towards them, adding that the Zionist death wagon that destroyed Palestine, Lebanon and Egypt will overrun Syria and the rest of the Arab nation and that the people should seriously consider confrontation because they will be responsible for all gains or losses.

He said: "In the era of the masses, there is no hero who can single-handedly take such a grave decision. Only the entire body of the masses can decide their fate and take the decision that can safeguard it."

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Colonel al-Qadhdhafi said: "Arab rulers cannot decide the fate of the Ara'r king among the Arab masses are the true target of the enemy. There was no president of the these who were killed in Lebanon. The decision affects every Arab citizen. It is the masses which the Zionist enemy seeks to destroy.

Colonel al-Qadhdhafi also dealt with the revolutionary programme that is to be formulated by the people's congresses for mass mobilisation to resist the inevitable approach of the Zionist death wagon. Colonel al-Qadhdhafi reminded his audience that the Zionists issued an appeal to 12 million Jews. This appeal falls within their expansionist plan that later calls for the settlement of Jews in the Arab nation, replacing the Arabs with a Zionist empire through which America would control the Arab nation, in implementation of the imperialist-Zionist schemes for annihilating the Arabs.

He said: "The train of Zionist death will continue if the Zionist advance remains at its current pace. We cannot wait for our annihilation. We are forced to confront our fate and stop this death wagon. Otherwise, our lives will be at the mercy of America. Such action of confrontation on our part requires total mobilisation which provides all means that will guarantee the defeat of the enemy."

Colonel Mu'ammar al-Qadhdhafi has pointed out the Revolutionary Committee's role concerning the revolutionary programme saying that their role is to educate the masses but not to convince them, because the masses have the freedom of choice. The leader said: "We are facing a dangerous war with America and the Israelis as well as local reaction. This danger should be shouldered by the people when you say that you have decided to live on bread and water only. This is also a serious decision because nobody can force you to live on bread and water unless you decide this yourself."

The leader also warned the Arab masses that the Zionist enemy with full U.S. backing is determined to destroy the Arabs and will inevitably try to do so. They have forced Egypt out of the battle and occupied Lebanon and are trying to destroy Syria. They will also come back to Egypt, and transform it into a colony and then expel the Moslems from there in order to put the Israelis there instead or leave the Copts on their own."

"The expansionist plans will continue because the Zionist enemy believes that the existence of the Arab nation contradicts its existence. The enemy has been entangled because of the establishment of their state in the heart of the Arab world. They will not give it up. They have no other alternative but to destroy the Arab nation, because its existence, even in the future, is a danger to their existence."

He went on to say, "the Zionists are determined to slaughter the Arabs even if they raise white flags. They very much fear the Arab race because it will destroy them. Therefore, the Zionists are trying every possible means to exterminate the Arabs. He added, "The revolutionary programme is the programme that includes the overall mobilization with high morale and determination for challenge. The Arab nation's situation is quite dangerous because of continuous Zionist expansionism which should be confronted. The world has become convinced that we have the right to move and destroy Israel because we are being subjected to a war of genocide.

The leader said, "The barbaric Zionist invasion of Lebanon and mass murders they carried out in Beirut has clearly uncovered the true face of the Zionists, America and the world. It has been proven that when a people are subjected to aggression, no one, not the Security Council, the Red Cross or any humanitarian organization in the world can come to their aid. The world can only condemn, but cannot do anything more."

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This has been cor treed by events following the Zionist invasion of Lebanon. He said only force can the use of force.

inagard ig the revolutionary programme for providing the minimum level of food security and maximum level of armament, Colonel al-Qadhdhafi said: "We need to increase the national product to a maximum with which we will have to provide the minimum level of food security. Everything else will go to armament in order to confront the enemy and deliver blows that will avenge Arab honour."

Colonel al-Qadhdhafi added: "The Arabs have a rightful claim to Palestine because it is their land. They need power, however. The Arabs, moreover, have the human and material resources and we can form an army stronger than the Israelis. But we are in need of total mobilisation so that these capabilities are utilised for realising power.

Colonel al-Qadhdhafi said all energies and capabilities should be concentrated and reminded his audience that the children of Palestine and Lebanese women were killed before their own eyes. He continued: "Not one of us can accept such a fate. But the Zionists will not differentiate between man, woman or child and it is therefore our duty to arm ourselves."

In this respect, Colonel al-Qadhdhafi affirmed the importance of training and arming women so that they would fall as easy prey to enemies. [as received]

Colonel al-Qadhdhafi said: "The gangs and scums of treachery and subservience to America, Israel and Arab reaction should be exposed. Such people are wanted for justice and giving Libya a bad reputation because of what they smuggled abroad. We will not allow any trivial person to give Libya a bad reputation abroad. Such people are charged with high treason because for them collaboration with the Israelis and Americans. [sentence as received] They should be killed not because they constitute any danger, but because of their high treason.

He said, "It is the Libyan people's responsibility to liquidate such scums who are distorting Libya's image. The decision to liquidate them or not, and their return or not, should be decided by the Libyan people before the peoples of the world. Because, what will happen afterwards expresses the people's will. If the people decide to liquidate its enemy then the people cannot be described as terrorist."

He elaborated saying, "U.S. policy is a terrorist one, and so its government and intelligence. To say that the 200 million Americans are terrorists is something unacceptable.

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[Speech by French President Francois Mitterrand in Bujumbura on 6 October at banquet hosted by President Jean-Baptiste Bagaza -- recorded]

[Excerpts] By starting my second visit to Burundi today I want to show solidarity with a country whose development is still impeded by the the natural barrier of being landlocked, a geographical position which has prevented so many travellers (?reaching you). I also know how much the erratic course of basic commodity prices -- as far as Burundi is concerned [words indistinct] especially coffee -- the burden of getting supplies of [word indistinct] products [words indistinct] are unbearable for you. [passage indistinct]

In this respect France is [words indistinct] the indefatigable advocate of a new, more equitable and less disarganized economic order in order to obtain from the international community more stable prices for your products. And you can rely on France to continue to fight in the same way against the selfishness of the (?multinationals) [words indistinct].

This international solidarity for which (?we are working) -- I have come to bear witness to it on behalf of France. For us it is not only a profession of faith, we have made it a priority for action. We expect to reach the goal we have set ourselves of bringing aid contributions to 0.7 percent of gross national product [GNP] by 1987-1988, as requested by the international institutions, of which 015 percent [zero quinze pour cent] will go to the least developed countries [applause]. This represents a considerable effort (?in view of the fact that) our starting point was 0.3 percent. Effective immediately, France has decided to set aside more than 20 billion francs as development aid, that is, 0.52 percent of our GNP. We want to act without further delay in the case of the least developed countries.

You know that at a time when the world's biggest aid donor countries have decided to freeze new aid, France has been one of the few countries to make an immediate statement to the effect that, far from following this example — as it could have done, (?hiding behind these arguments) — far from following the United States in this step, for example, we have maintained our (?contribution) at the level at which it was originally fixed, which means that France is playing a much greater part proportionally in the common effort.

[Passage indistinct] Of course development does not depend solely on the mobilization of finance. We must also take other conditions into account: economic stability and peace between peoples. As far as we are concerned the right to security of peoples and countries, both here and elsewhere, is a cardinal principle.

To come back to Africa for a while, the men and women of this continent are taking on their identity in dignified and honorable living conditions. I also know that you are working hard to build a policy of nonalignment, which brings you (?allies) in this world. This cannot be held against you. [passage indistinct]

The great industrialized powers are making a mistake [words indistinct] when they forget that their own interests in the short time between now and the end of the century coincide with their moral and human obligation. [passage indistinct] The industrialized world must become aware of something which is more than a duty, which is [word indistinct] of its own development in the coming years. [passage indistinct]